

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

9 January 2013

Board Members in Attendance: Board Members Absence:

Christine Benoit, DMD, Chair Louis Marciano, BS, MEd

Susan Perlini, RDH, BS, Secretary Craig A. VanDongen, DDS

Robert Bartro, DDS

Thomas Bertrand, MPH

Carleton Cappuccino, DMD

Martin Nager DMD, FICD

Robert Ricci, Ed D

Maureen Ross, RDH, BS

Joseph G. Samartano, Jr., DDS

Staff Members in Attendance: Others in attendance:

Linda Phillips, Board Administrator Kerry Friel, RIDAA

Catherine A. Cordy, RPh Dr. Brown, RIDA

Pamela Schultz Marie Jones-Bridges, RIDHA

Bruce MacIntyre, JD Patrick Quinlan, JD

Patrick Kelly, RPh, PharmD Ian Lubinsky, Student intern

Establishment of Quorum: A meeting of the Board of Examiners in

Dentistry was held on the above date at the RI Department of Health, Beck Conference Room, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Dr. Cappuccino and seconded by Dr. Ricci to accept the OPEN minutes. The board voted to unanimously approve the OPEN minutes as presented.

Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure:

There were no names of individuals qualifying for licensure during this time frame.

Administrative Issues:

After serving for many years on the Dental Board, Dr. Henry Levin's term has expired.

Warm wishes were extended to him for his contributions. The Board welcomes it's newest member, Dr. Marty Nager, who gave a brief overview of his background.

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Old Business:

After much discussion about the continuing education audits,

Ms.Cordy said that the process in conducting the audits were the same as all professional boards within the Health Department. Representatives from RIDA and RIDHA would like to work with a subcommittee of the Dental Board to revise the regulations in an effort to clarify the process.

New Business:

Dr. Levin gave an overview of a recent meeting he attended for ADEX. The RIDAA had a meeting with the Chairman of the legislature to discuss registration of dental assistants.

At this time, it was suggested by Dr. Benoit that Dr. Levin assist the Dental Board/Dept of Health with inspections that may be needed at dental facilities regarding concerns or complaints. All agreed and Dr. Levin accepted.

Dr. Benoit and Ms. Cordy will be attending the NERB Annual Conference, January 10-12, 2013.

Adjourn OPEN Session:

At this time, a motion was made to adjourn the OPEN Session and enter into the CLOSED Executive Session for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws.

Returned to OPEN Session:

The Board returned to OPEN Session at 11:00 am.

Sealing of the CLOSED Executive Minutes

A motion was made to seal the minutes of the CLOSED Executive Session pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Ricci, seconded by Dr. Samartano, the Board voted unanimously to seal the CLOSED minutes of that meeting as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Perlini

**Susan Perlini, RDH, BS, Secretary
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry**